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TO : The Director.

FROM : Legislative Liaison Officer.

SUBJECT: Newspaper Clipping Service.

DATE: 9 September 1947.

1. It is presumed that the present newspaper clipping service is unsatisfactory for the following reasons:

a. Too great a volume of clippings is furnished, making it impractical or impossible to plow through all of them every day.

b. A proper selection of the most vital clippings has not been made.

c. The Office of Government Reports' nation-wide clipping service on CIG and matters of intelligence has ceased, due to the liquidation of the Office through failure of appropriations.

2. In order to make this service to the Director a useful and worthwhile operation, the following recommendations are made, subject to your approval:

a. The bulk of the clippings forwarded to you should be heavily reduced, and selection should be made more carefully.

b. In order that this selection should have more meaning, it is requested that this office be placed on the distribution list for the CIG Daily Summary, in order that the undersigned may concentrate the clippings furnished you on those items which the Summary is dealing with on a current basis, and which are ultimately borne out by news reports or comments.

c. In addition to the clippings tying in with the Daily Summary, as suggested in 2 (b), you will be kept current on matters affecting the National Defense Establishment, together with carefully selected pertinent matter.

d. The clippings will be handled in such a way that the source will be immediately available, obviating the necessity of turning them over, as at the present time.

e. To replace the nation-wide clipping service formerly supplied by the Office of Government Reports, CIG should hire a clipping service, either through the War or Navy Department Public Relations Departments, or independently, which will give us nationwide coverage on newspaper items affecting CIG or the subject of intelligence generally.

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